

## Save the Dates for EPA's free Workshop/Webinars:

### EPA's New Air Quality Regulations for Reciprocating Internal Combustion Engines (RICE)

**Date:** Wednesday January 11, 2011  
and  
Wednesday 18, 2012,

Registration 8:30 a.m., Program 9-11 a.m.

If you or members of your association own, operate or regulate a RICE engine, you are invited to participate in one of EPA's RICE workshops and webinars on environmental regulations affecting these engines.

The workshops plan to discuss applications of RICE, aspects of the environmental rules and requirements needed for compliance. Also proposed is a panel discussion comprised by various industry representatives. The workshop will also provide participants an opportunity to get answers to questions about the RICE rules.

#### Workshop/Webinar Agenda

8:30 a.m. - Registration  
9:00 - 9:50 - Melanie King (EPA) - RICE NESHAP and NSPS Rules  
9:50-10:00 - Questions  
10:00-10:20 - RICE Compliance Issues - Roy Crystal (EPA)  
10:20-10:40 - 4-5 panelists from different sectors with RICE comment on RICE use and compliance issues in their sector  
10:40-11:00 - Questions and discussion

**Registration:** You should register in advance.

To register to participate **in-person** at one of the workshops at the EPA Region 1 Laboratory in North Chelmsford, MA, please send an email to Roy Crystal of EPA at [crystal.roy@epa.gov](mailto:crystal.roy@epa.gov) (an online registration procedure will be available soon at the website above).

Registration to participate via **webinar** (via the internet) is **online** at the links below:

**January 11, 2012:**

<https://www2.gotomeeting.com/register/721742402>

or

**January 18, 2012:**

<https://www2.gotomeeting.com/register/356498938>

EPA has new National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants (NESHAP) and New Source Performance Standards (NSPS) for stationary RICE that affect both emergency and non-emergency uses. RICE are used for generating electricity and to power pumps and compressors in many industrial, agricultural, and municipal operations. Under this rule, facilities with stationary emergency engines will need to track their use to avoid exceeding a 50 hour per year limit on non-emergency use. Some non-emergency stationary engines will be subject to emission limits (which may require retrofit) and requirements to submit initial notifications. The RICE rule requirements may apply to your association members! See <http://www.epa.gov/region1/rice> for more information.

EPA identified typical sectors affected by the rule that may use RICE:

- municipal and industrial electric power generation (baseload and emergency),
- data centers,
- telecommunications,
- natural gas transmission,
- agriculture,
- municipal wastewater treatment and sewage disposal,
- pharmaceuticals,
- sports arenas,
- hospitals,
- ski areas,
- aggregate/rock crushing,
- asphalt,
- construction, and general industry.

The Small Business Environmental Assistance Program provided this announcement to help potentially affected small sources with knowledge of and compliance with the RICE rule. Please see the rule at: <http://www.epa.gov/ttn/atw/rice/ricepg.html>.

The Small Business Environmental Assistance Program (SBEAP) is available to provide small businesses with free confidential assistance to help with environmental issues that may impact their facility. Please feel free to make referrals to our office, as needed. If you have questions on the RICE rule, please contact Mr. Harold W. Madison at 1- 800-734-3619 or at 615-532-8013 or by e-mail at: [BGSBEAP@state.tn.us](mailto:BGSBEAP@state.tn.us).

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